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In re Application of Green et al.

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) Examiner: N/A  
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) Atty Ref: GRE001  
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For: MASS SPECTROMETRY AND METHODS OF MASS SPECTROMETRY

## COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified U.S. Patent Application, the Applicant has received a Notice to File Missing Parts. In addition to indicating the need for a signed Declaration in this case, the Notice of Missing Parts indicates that a fee is due for an additional dependent claim in this case. That is, the Notice indicates that a total of thirty-five (35) claims were presented in this application.

Contrary to this indication in the Notice, the application was filed with only thirty-four (34) claims, the full fee of which was paid at the time of filing. The undersigned contacted the initial patent examination division and discussed with personnel, who retrieved and reviewed the file, that in fact only thirty-four (34) claims are present in the application and the full filing fee was previously paid. However, if any additional fees are deemed necessary in connection with this filing, authorization has been provided to charge deposit account number 04-1075 as needed.

If there are any additional concerns or questions concerning this matter, the patent office personnel is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the number provided below for clarification.

Respectfully submitted,



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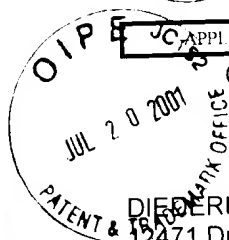
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$18.
  - \$18 for 15 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 148.

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